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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masami OGATA et al.

Application No.: 09/468,053

Filed: December 20, 1999

For: IMAGE PICKUP METHOD AND
APPARATUS, AND IMAGE
PROCESSING METHOD AND
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action mailed May 1, 2006, Applicants respectfully
request that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

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